

6-Day Western Loop

From Portland

(SML) – 1012 miles/ 1629 km

Day 1

Portland to Astoria via Mt St Helens

Arrive at Portland International Airport

I-5 North to Castle Rock, Hwy 504 to Mt St Helens, return to I-5 South to Kelso, Hwy 4 West to Longview, South on 433 to Hwy 30 then West to Astoria (211 miles/ 339.6 km)

Interesting stops in Portland:

- International Rose Test Gardens (SML)
- Oregon Zoo (SML)
- Pittock Mansion (SML)
- Chinese Garden (SML)
- Powell's City of Books (SML)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Fort Vancouver (SML)
- Pearson Air Museum (SML)
- Vancouver Barracks (SML)
- Cowlitz County Historical Museum (SML)
- Mt St Helen National Volcanic Monument Visitors Center (SML)
 - Coldwater Canyon Interpretive Center (SML)
 - Hoffstad Bluffs Interpretive Center (SML)
 - Johnston Ridge Interpretive Center (SML)
- Eco Park (SML)

Overnight: Astoria (SML)

[Optional overnight locations: Long Beach (S)]

Day 2

Astoria to Olympic National Park via Seaside and Canon Beach

Hwy 101 North (123 miles/ 197.9 km)

Interesting stops in Astoria:

- Columbia River Maritime Museum (SML)
- Astor Column (SML)
- Fort Stevens (SML)
- Fort Clatsop (SML)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Seaside (SML)
- Fort Canby State Park, Lewis and Clark Interpretive Museum (SM)
- Cape Disappointment & Mouth of the Columbia (SML)
- Ilwaco Heritage Museum (SM)

Overnight at Ocean Shores (SML)

[Optional overnight locations: Aberdeen (SML), Quinault (SM)]

Day 3

Olympic Peninsula to Olympia

Hwy 101 to Olympia (282 miles/ 453.8 km)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Quinault, Queest and Hoh Rain Forest (SML)
- Lake Crescent
- Olympic National Park Visitor Center
- Port Townsend
- State Capital in Olympia (SML)
- Lacey Museum

Overnight: Olympia (SML)

Day 4

Olympia to Seattle via Everett

I-5 North to Everett then South to Seattle (110 miles/ 177 km)

Interesting stops in Seattle:

- Seattle's Underground Tour (SML)
- Space Needle (SML)
- Klondike Gold Rush National Park (SML)
- Pike Place Market (SML)
- Seattle Aquarium (SML)
- Tillicum Village (Blake Island) (SML)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Fort Nisqually Historic Site (SML)
- Boeing Aircraft Assembly Plant (SML)
- Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium (SML)
- Steilacoom Historical Museum (SML)
- Tacoma Art Museum (SML)
- Washington State History Museum (SML)

Overnight: Seattle (SML)

Day 5

Seattle to Chehalis via Mount Rainier

I-5 South to Tacoma, Hwy 7 East to Hwy 706, Hwy 123 South to Hwy 12, West to I-5 North (198 miles/ 318.7 km)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Northwest Trek Wildlife Park (Eatonville) (SML)
- Mount Rainier National Park (SML)

Overnight in Chehalis (SML)

Day 6

Chehalis to Portland

I-5 South (88 miles/ 141.6 km)

Interesting stops along the way:

- Centralia Outlet Mall (SML)
- Chehalis Antique Stores (SML)
- Cowlitz County Historical Museum (SML)

Group Sizes

S – 14 passengers or less

M – 14-36 passengers

L – 36-55 passengers or more